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SUBJECT: AMBASSADOR'S ASSESSMENT: GREECE WILL BACK
SLOVENIA, BOSNIA FOR UNHRC
REF: A) STATE 63345 B) ATHENS 904

CLASSIFIED BY: AMBASSADOR CHARLES RIES. REASON: 1.4 (B) AND (D).
[¶](#)1. (C) BASED ON OUR DISCUSSIONS WITH GOG OFFICIALS, IT IS
MY ASSESSMENT THAT GREECE WILL BACK CANDIDACIES BY SLOVENIA
AND BOSNIA FOR THE UNHRC. THE GOG RECOGNIZES THE
CONSEQUENCES OF PUTTING BELARUS ON THE COUNCIL, TERMING IT
"OUT OF THE QUESTION" (REF B). BOSNIAS CANDIDACY MEETS THE
GOG'S STATED HOPE THAT A THIRD COUNTRY WOULD PUT FORWARD ITS
CANDIDACY.
COUNTRYMAN